Cash Receipts Review 2004

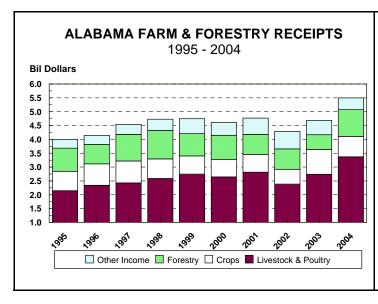
Total Farm Receipts for 2004 totaled \$4.65 billion, an increase of \$523 million (13 percent) from the previous year. These receipts included returns for livestock and poultry, crops, government agricultural payments, farm forest products, and other farm related income. **Total Farm and Forestry Receipts** were \$5.50 billion compared with \$4.59 billion in 2003.

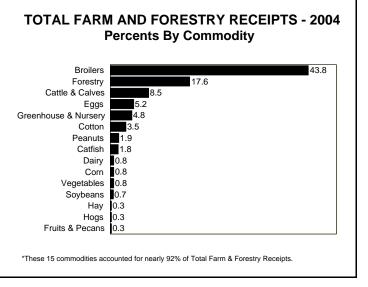
Receipts for All Agricultural Commodities included \$3.37 billion for Livestock and Poultry and \$734.7 million for crops. Higher returns were realized for cattle and calves, broilers, catfish, and most crop commodities, while receipts for hogs, eggs, and potatoes were down from previous year.

Broiler Chickens continued to lead the way as Alabama's # 1 agricultural commodity with receipts of \$2.41 billion. These receipts compared with \$1.84 billion the previous year and accounted for nearly 44 percent of Total Farm and Forestry Receipts. **Cattle and Calves** contributed \$469.3 million in sales, up 13 percent from a year earlier. Receipts for **Eggs** amounted to \$288.0 million compared with \$295.1 million in 2003. **Greenhouse, Sod and Nursery** returned \$263.1 million, while Alabama **Cotton** farmers racked up \$193.5 million in receipts. Together, these five commodities accounted for 66 percent of Total Farm and Forestry Receipts.

TOTAL FARM AND FORESTRY RECEIPTS: LEADING COUNTIES, 2004

County	(000)	County	(000)
Cullman	509,523	Baldwin	155,756
DeKalb	361,660	Franklin	152,327
Marshall	217,355	Hale	142,631
Coffee	179,114	Crenshaw	139,746
Blount	170,186	Geneva	137,195





For **counties with limited production** of a specific commodity, cash receipts (starting on page 46) for that commodity are not published, but are included in the county's Total Farm Receipts. *USDA's Farm Service Agency (FSA)* supplied Information on **government payments** and stumpage revenue for **farm forest products and non-farm commercial timber** was *provided by the Alabama Forestry Commission*. **Other farm income** includes money received for machine hire and custom work, custom feeding fees, and other farm business-related income. These receipts are not published separately but are included in each county's Total Farm Receipts.